

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Page 13, please delete the first full paragraph and replace it with the following:

a/ Display terminal 2 is installed at a doctor's residence, and is equipped with a personal computer 21 and a CRT, LCD, etc. monitor 22. Additionally, personal computer 21 has installed on it a web browser commonly available on the market such as Internet Explorer (registered trademark of Microsoft Inc.), by which access to image server 1 via communications circuit 3 is provided, and image data S stored on temporary storage medium 11 can be stored in a one-dimensional temporary buffer memory of the web browser and viewed. Note that normally only image data S stored on the temporary storage medium 11 can be viewed at display terminal 2. For cases in which it is necessary to view image data S stored on archive disk 12, it is necessary to first contact the hospital at which the image server is housed and have image data S stored on the archive disk 12 copied to temporary storage medium 11.

Please delete the paragraph bridging pages 13 and 14 and replace with the following:

a/ Note that, according to the conditions specified (upon the passing of a predetermined period of time after diagnosis by a doctor has been performed, for example), image data S is copied from temporary storage medium 11 to archive 12. For example, when said specified conditions are satisfied, the exact same image data S as that stored in temporary storage medium 11 is copied to archive 12, and as the amount of storage space on temporary storage medium 11 becomes unavailable for use, said image data S is deleted from temporary storage medium 11 in the order commencing from the oldest date thereof, whereby it becomes stored exclusively in archive 12. Note that according to the purpose of image data S, it may be compressed and stored

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in both temporary storage medium 11 and archive 12. In addition, original image data or original image data that has been compressed and is extractable can be stored in temporary storage medium 11, and when said image data is copied to archive 12 it can be ~~made undecompressible~~ compressed non-reversibly.

Please delete the paragraph bridging pages 15 and 16 and replace with the following:

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In addition, when new image data S that satisfies the predetermined subscription conditions of a folder created in image server 1 is stored, notification thereof is provided to the doctor who is the user of image display terminal 2. More specifically, a data [[J1]] representing a line of displayable text reading, "A new image has been stored," or words to that effect is transmitted to display terminal 2 and displayed on monitor 22, whereby notification is provided to the doctor who is the user of image display terminal 2. Further, flags indicating that new image data has been stored in image server [[S]] 1 can be set. Display terminal 2 accesses image server 1 periodically at set intervals to confirm whether or not any such flags have been set, and for cases in which flags have been set, a line of text reading, "A new image has been stored," or words to that effect can be displayed on display terminal 2 as notification that new image data S has been stored. Additionally, in place of the text message, a voice notification method may be employed to provide notification that new image data S has been stored.